



Chairman's Corner, by Brien Kocher

Local government in Pennsylvania is a mosaic of individual units, all of which were established by the state and operate under the laws of the Commonwealth. With nearly 1,500 second class townships in Pennsylvania, municipal governing bodies make policy decisions, levy taxes, borrow money, authorize expenditures all in effort to provide vibrant and safe communities. While all townships in the Commonwealth operate differently, one common denominator is that ALL local governments rely on residents which volunteer their time to serve on the local Fire Company, Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board, Recreation Board, and Environmental Advisory Council in an effort to make their township a better place. Over the years, we have been lucky to have dedicated residents willing to serve in these capacities, as well as on our Anniversary Committee and for our annual Veteran's Remembrance Event. Equally important are the volunteer board members and coaches of the athletic associations and scouting organizations that operate within the Township. Without these dedicated residents, the Bushkill Township Athletic Association, Nazareth Soccer Club, and Scout Troops would not be available to our next generation of volunteers. The Board of Supervisors would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all of the dedicated volunteers that make Bushkill Township a great community to call home!



Volunteers, Patricia Finady and Doris Tamandl, working in the rain garden at the Township Building.

With the 2015-16 winter season right around the corner, we would also like to take the opportunity to mention a few important reminders. The main roadways (high traffic areas) are given first priority for salting and plowing. During a heavy snowfall, efforts are focused on the main roadways until they are cleared, after which the secondary roads are treated. Cul-de-sacs are the last to be plowed. Cul-de-sacs are the most difficult to plow and require the greatest amount of time. The Public Works Department prefers to push the snow off the road, leaving cul-de-sacs free from snow piles that could melt and cause icing conditions. Cars parked on the street become a major problem during inclement winter weather. As plows go around parked vehicles, they leave piles of snow on the roadway. To avoid this problem, please remove vehicles from the road during snowstorms or when snow emergencies are issued. Residents are reminded that it is illegal to park on the street if there are two (2) or more inches of snow. Remember if you are putting your garbage cans out before or during a snow storm, they must not be on or in the roadway. They should be placed at the base of your driveway. If your garbage can is hit due to it being in the roadway, it is your responsibility to replace the can should it be damaged. Lastly, please be sure that your mailbox area is free of snow so the mail carrier is able to deliver your items. Please note that it is illegal to deposit snow into the street from your driveway.



Winter Checklist:

- **Have your vehicle serviced.**
- **Replace or refill your emergency kit in your vehicle & at home.**
- **Have your chimney or furnace serviced.**
- **If you have a generator, be sure it has been serviced and that you have fuel on hand in the event that it is needed.**

Jacobsburg Historical Society

Wisps of sulphurous smoke lifted through the trees after each thunderous clap. One by one, buckskin and linsey-woolsey clad longhunters emerged from their “woods walk” with their trusty PA Longrifles and western plains Hawken Rifles. The hills around the Bushkill Creek always witness the last full weekend of October. Billed as Jacobsburg Historical Society’s “Rendezvous and Market Faire,” this annual event is better known to the reenactors as the Halloween rendezvous of free trappers, artisans, and seekers of historically correct reenactment. More than seventy camps, laid out in wide green boulevards, will cast their white and painted canvas from teepees, marquis and wall tents, trapper single poles to the waiting eyes of weekend visitors. Blacksmiths will be forging red-hot iron into useful camp implements; Horners will be shaping cow horns into beautifully scrimshawed powder horns, drinking cups, and flasks; leather will take shape into accoutrement bags, hunting pouches, knife and tomahawk sheaths, and a myriad of other useful Early American items. But the real action around the camps and historical buildings, are the outdoor action arenas. The young and young at heart are drawn to the big tripods above the creek where giant round sections of trees beckon the flight of tomahawks and knives. While playing cards serve as a fun target, they also are the serious focus of competitors who sharpen their skill there, before taking on the unexpected targets of the woods walk. Saturday, October 24 is the last day for Pennsylvania’s early muzzleloading deer season, so it isn’t surprising to see successful hunters cooking their prize venison chops over the open wood fires as steamy Dutch ovens and blackened pots of beans, back at camp. Pumpkins are everywhere at this time of the year, but creative carvers will be in a contest to win the coveted rendezvous reward for their scary efforts. The aromas of fresh baked pies, cookies, and sauces drift on the wind. Meanwhile, flintlock and percussion riflemen will be showing their handiwork. The Nicholas Hawk gunshop, a refurbished 250-year old log cabin transplanted from Effort to the north, will have a working gunsmith inside, sharing art, history and the legacy of our state’s historic arms. To the west rises a large white building, the 18th Century Earl American Craft center. Inside, are knowledgeable artisans who teach Jacobsburg’s craft classes. Some of the finest frontier crafts related to the shooting sports will be found on display. Visitors are welcome to tour the two museums on the historical society’s campus. The 1832 John Joseph Henry House is the embodiment of five generations of Henry gun makers. Every piece of furniture, china, cookware, paintings, clothing and decorations will be found and interpreted here. This is truly a walk back through time as one can see and feel the lives who inhabited this frontier home. But the oldest homestead is across Henry Road. Dating back to the 1740s, the original homestead is the site of the Pennsylvania Long Rifle Museum. Inside the older log cabin and its newer clapboard addition are interactive displays of Henry Longrifles, muskets, swords, and tools related to more than a century’s industry known as the “Boulton Gun Works.” Knowledgeable guides in period dress will enhance the many displays. The sights and sounds of black powder arms will also be present on this side of the road. The “Novelty” shooting range will challenge trade guns, muskets, rifles and pistols to guess distances, shoot accurately, and make history with non-traditional, breaking, smoking, and surprising targets. Nearby in the Henry Woods, an old growth hemlock forest along the Bushkill, homemade shafts of cedar arrows from self-bows and longbows will be giving their due to the skills of the native Americans. Challenging animal silhouettes and hunting-related targets will greet the benders of wood. The JHS Rendezvous and Market Faire will be held October 23-25, 2015, from 10 am—5 pm (3 pm on Sunday.) Admission is five dollars and the public is invited. Food available.



Jacobsburg Historical Society is a member-supported non-profit founded in 1972. It preserves and promotes the art and industry of Early American industrial progress and the character of the individuals and community that created and sustained it. The Society makes its home at the Boulton Historic Site, located along the Bushkill Creek, just northeast of Nazareth, PA. To join the excitement of this historic encampment, contact JHS at the website, www.jacobsburghistory.com for more information. Easy access is from the Belfast Exit of Rt. 33 North, just to the east of Nazareth. The address is 402 Henry Road, Nazareth, PA 18064.

MS4 Program—Leaf Collection for “Urbanized Areas”

As part of the Federally mandated MS4 Program, which focuses on management of stormwater from municipal-owned properties and rights-of-way, Bushkill Township is required to provide leaf collection from “Urbanized Areas” within the Township. MS4 stands for “Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems,” and the Urbanized Areas are designated by the Federal government based on higher population densities (determined from the 2010 Census). Leaf collection is a very costly venture for the Township and its residents, and therefore is only being provided in the Urbanized Areas, as mandated. Funding to cover half of the costs for two specialized leaf collection units was provided through the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. No further funding from the State or Federal government is currently available to support the labor and equipment necessary to run the program, going forward. Bushkill Township has been and will continue to be a relatively rural township based on our Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan. Wherever possible, even in Urbanized Areas, it is best for residents to compost their leaves in upland (non-wetland) areas of their properties. Doing so will help reduce costs to all Township residents and will keep valuable organic matter and nutrients on the land from which they came. The sole intent of the leaf collection program is to keep organic matter and nutrients from getting into stormwater in high density areas where composting on-property is simply not feasible. Collected leaves will be hauled to the First Regional Compost Authority facility where they will be processed and returned to local municipalities for re-use. Residents in Urbanized Areas, as well as non-urbanized areas, are encouraged to compost their leaves to help control costs.

If you live in an Urbanized Area within the Township and need to have leaf pick-up it will be done based on the schedule listed below. Residents of Bushkill Township are required to abide by the following regulations governing leaf collection. Residents must place their leaves along the edge of the street and it is the responsibility of the resident to protect their leaves so they do not blow throughout the neighborhood. It is not the responsibility of the Township collection crew to empty plastic bags or containers; this is the responsibility of the resident. Branches, grass clippings, shrubbery, garbage and building material will not be collected and will be left behind. Please do not use bricks, rocks, etc. to hold tarps on top of your leaf pile. They can get mixed into the pile and vacuumed up by the equipment. With the increasing number of maturing trees each year it is impossible to guarantee a specific pick-up day for any one location. If the leaves are not in place when the crew goes by, they will be picked on the next rotation or residents can take their leaves to the public works yard waste facility on Clearfield Road. The schedule is subject to inclement weather and mechanical breakdown and your area could be skipped at any time should these situations occur. Leaf collection will tentatively follow the schedule below:

Area 1 Boundary – Beginning at the Moore Township/Bushkill Township border, State Route 512, Miller, Bushkill Center, West Douglasville, Clearfield, Hahn, and Williams Road. If you live within these boundaries your leaves will be picked up during the fourth week of October and the third week of November.

Area 2 Boundary– Beginning on Miller Road, Baron, Keller, Gold Mill, Parkland, Renaldi, State Park, Jacobsburg, Henry, Schoeneck ending at Bushkill Center Road. If you live within these boundaries your leaves will be picked up during the first week of November and the fourth week of November

Area 3 Boundary– Beginning at Williams Road, Hahn, West Douglasville, Bushkill Center, Biel, High, Gower, Knauss to Bok Road. If you live within these boundaries your leaves will be picked up during the second week of November and the second week of December.

The remainder of December will be used to collect leaves throughout the township on as needed basis. Questions regarding leaf collection can be referred to the Bushkill Township Public Works Department at 610.759.2758, between the hours of 7:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Bushkill Township Volunteer Fire Company

The Bushkill Township Volunteer Fire Company would like to thank all of those who came out to support our annual carnival and the special Bingos (\$4000 Bingo, Longaberger, and Coach/31 Bingo). Your continued support assists in our fund raising efforts. These funds allow us to purchase and maintain equipment to protect and serve Bushkill residents. The Bushkill Township Volunteer Fire Company was established in 1959, and has since operated as a volunteer organization. These volunteers donate their time to fight fires and participate in fundraisers that allow the firehouse to continue to operate. The fire company currently has four divisions: Fire, EMS, Fire Police, and the Ladies Auxiliary. The Fire Company, Ladies Auxiliary, and Fire Police are operated by volunteers, covering the 25-square mile Township and its population of nearly 8,500 residents. The Fire Company, including Fire/Rescue and EMS, also provides mutual aid service to surrounding communities when requested.

Monthly Buffet Style Breakfast

7:30 AM -12:30PM

The buffet style breakfasts are held every second Sunday of the month from September to May.

October 11
December 13 (with Santa)
January 10
February 14
March 13
April 10
May 8

Ladies Auxiliary—Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner
October 17 – 4:00PM-7:00PM
Joy—610.759.4492

Wednesday Night Bingo

Doors Open

5:00 PM

First Ball Called 7:00PM

21 Regular games
5 Novelty games
Rip Open Tickets
\$1000 Jackpot*

Kitchen opens at 6:00PM.
Serving Coffee, Soda, Fries,
Hotdogs Hamburgers,
Pierogis, and much more.

*Attendance may affect
jackpot

Rent Our Hall

Bushkill Township Fire Co. social hall is a great place for your next event.

Round/Rectangular tables*
Weddings
Birthdays
Fundraising Bingo
Holiday Parties
Family Reunions

Beer and Mixed drink fountains available
New Caterers

For More info call Patty
484.239.4016
*Round tables for weddings and banquets

Volunteers Needed!

Do you want to be part of the Fire Company family and volunteer your time? Want to be a Firefighter? Not ready to be a firefighter but want to help out? See one of our members for more information.

Outdoor Burning Regulations & Burning Ordinance of Bushkill Township

Please visit the Bushkill Township Fire Company website for the most up to date information regarding open outdoor fires. <http://bushkilltownshipfireco.com/burning-ordinance.html>

Bushkill Township Volunteer Fire Company

155 Firehouse Drive, Nazareth, PA 18064 * 610.759.2274

Veterans Remembrance, by *Bill Brackbill and Susan Kirk*

It was again a humbling experience to remember and honor our Veterans at Bushkill Township's 3rd Veterans Remembrance and Flag Retirement Ceremony held May 24, 2015. It was a beautiful day as 157 sponsored flags fluttered in the breeze at our township Veteran's Memorial Flag Pole. The flags represented dedications placed in memory or honor of Veterans from all branches of the Armed Forces who served in peace time and war. Order forms noted pride and respect for all who served... a Revolutionary soldier, Seal, Seabee, Evac., Infantry, Ranger, Airborne, WWI, WWI II (Europe, Normandy, N. Africa, Italy, D-Day), Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan. Our guest speaker, Helen Sajer, President of PA Wounded Warriors, Inc., was very well received as she told the story of her all volunteer organization that works hard to meet the varied and unique needs of those who have served.



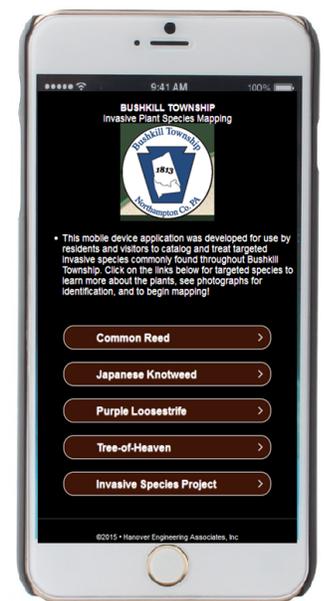
Supporting our efforts were Mycalyn Florals of Nazareth who provided a beautiful fresh memorial wreath, as well as participants Ralph Brodt III and the Nazareth Community Band, The Rev. David B. Schaeffer, State Rep. Marcia Hahn, and Northampton County Sheriff's Dept. Deputies Honor Guard. Scott Backer and Boy Scout Troop 44 presented an extremely meaningful and touching Flag Retirement Ceremony. The program concluded with the U.S. Army Reserve 744th M.P. Battalion Rifle Squad Detail and Nazareth High School student Randy Baxendale offering Taps. Beth Masiado of Stars for Our Troops was on hand afterward presenting embroidered stars from flags that can no longer fly to Veterans as a thank you and reminder that they are not forgotten. Beth is the "keeper of the stars" who started and oversees this program in the Lehigh Valley...to date over 34,000 stars have been distributed! Special thanks to everyone who planned and participated in our event. Save the date...Sunday, May 29, 2016...and watch for details in Spring!

Invasive Species Control for Residents

Do you have problems with unwanted invasive plants on your property?? By now, most of us have heard about non-native invasive plants, and many of us have recognized these plants on our own properties or in our surrounding landscapes. Controlling or eradicating these plants is often difficult and requires various techniques and proper timing. Bushkill Township and Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center will hold a free session at the Center, located at 400 Belfast Road, on November 20th at 7PM to teach residents about these plants and how to deal with them.

During 2014-15, Bushkill Township worked with Lafayette College and Hanover Engineering to develop an Invasive Species Management Program for our residents. The project was funded through Pennsylvania Sea Grant and included development of a new "mobile app" for smartphones and other mobile devices, mapping of target invasive species on public lands, and development of a user-friendly Invasive Species Management Plan for Township residents. The mobile app is easy to use and will help residents with identification and general information about targeted species, and will allow residents to map the location of these plants on their own properties and other places within Bushkill Township.

Residents that attend the free session at the Center will learn about our invasive plants, how to treat them on their own properties, and how to use the mobile app. Please register to attend the session by calling Lauren Forster at the Center at 610.749.2801.





More Than Just a Horse Farm!



Did you know that there's a place on Fehr Road in Bushkill Township where horses are helping people feel better and actually function better too?

It's a therapeutic riding center called Equi-librium, and it serves children, youths, and adults from Lehigh, Northampton, and Monroe counties who have physical, cognitive and/or social/emotional challenges. You can see the non-profit's signs on Jacobsburg, Rose Inn, and Fehr Roads, indicating the 18-acre farm, which was known as Half Halt back in the 90s.

Six days a week, all year round, children as young as two years old and adults as old as 84 years have weekly lessons on and around one of Equi-librium's twelve (12) horses. The three-dimensional movement of the horse actually mimics the human gait, thus training or retraining muscles to work properly. The horse's movement also helps individuals with autism and Asperger's Syndrome, so that they can process feelings, sounds, and speech in a more normal manner. And for those with balance issues, working to stay centered on the horse's back strengthens their trunk and back muscles without them even thinking about it. Sound like magic? Well, more and more national research is proving that therapeutic riding is in fact effective for people with many types of disabilities and injuries. The rhythmic movement of the horse combined with the alternative atmosphere of the barn produces much greater results than working in a rehab or clinical setting.

Those whose disabilities limit control of any part of their body or their life gain great confidence and a healthy self-esteem by managing a huge animal. It may indeed sound like magic, but for the individuals and their families who benefit, it is working wonders.

The most common benefits of therapeutic riding and carriage driving are improved balance, muscle tone, posture, and self-esteem, but these programs are also being widely used to help children with social and emotional issues. Using a special curriculum, Equi-librium provides local youth agencies and schools with an amazing alternative learning experience. The results have been astonishing. In one classroom, negative behaviors were reduced by almost 40% through participation in the horse therapy program.



Equi-librium relies on the assistance of over 150 volunteers, annually, primarily as side helpers to the riders as they proceed through their weekly lessons. Monthly training sessions are offered at the farm for those interested in getting involved. Equi-librium also offers carriage driving for those who cannot, or do not want to, get on a horse. Equi-librium offers summer camp, farm visits, and more!

Equi-librium is the only Premier Accredited Center of the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship (PATH) international organization in the region, which means that it is recognized for its safety, professionalism, and proper instruction. It is also the only PATH center to offer both riding and carriage driving in the Commonwealth. In addition, Equi-librium is an Education Improvement Organization, so designated by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development as part of its Educational Improvement Tax Credit program, and a Partner Agency of United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley.

Would you like to learn more about this so-called magic? If so, go to www.equi-librium.org, or call 610.365.2266. The organization will also be having a Horse Show and Open House on Saturday, October 3 from 9 am—2:00 pm. Stop in and have a tour! *by Polly Beste, Equi-librium Board Chairman and Bushkill Township resident.*

The following is a list of adult, teen, and children's programs at the Memorial Library of Nazareth and Vicinity; 295 East Center Street; Nazareth; 610-759-4932; www.nazarethlibrary.org. The Library serves the communities of Bushkill, Lower Nazareth, and Upper Nazareth townships and Nazareth Borough. Please consult the calendar on the Library's webpage for additional information. All Library programs require pre-registration. Be sure to monitor our website for information about three DaVinci Center MakerSpaces programs, one for preschoolers, one for grades K-2, and one for grades 3-5. Also in the works, thanks to the generosity of the Friends, are two art programs for children grades K-2.

- October 15 and 22 Art workshops with artist, Jen Prichett for grades 3-5. Registration begins September 21. (Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. William Bartlett for their generosity)
- October 22 Neill Hartley as Sherlock Holmes
- October 28 Family fall craft night. Registration begins October 21
- November 5-7 Friends Book Sale - children's books included!
- November 18 Distaff Muse Tea
- December 2 Family fall craft night. Registration begins November 26



Thank you to Bushkill Township, our sponsors and volunteers for supporting Nazareth Soccer Club.

2016 Spring Season Registration
will begin in January for Boys and Girls ages 4-18
Visit www.nazarethsoccer.org for details

Nazareth Soccer Club promotes and develops an interest in soccer amongst young people in the Nazareth area by sponsoring, organizing and operating developmental and competitive soccer teams for children.

Our organization is run by volunteers. If you are looking to help in your community and would like to volunteer, please contact us at info@nazarethsoccer.org.



We offer unique opportunities for local businesses to become club sponsors. Please contact us for more information.

Northampton County Open Space

On Saturday, May 9, at the 13th Annual Pennsylvania Land Conservation Conference in Gettysburg, PA, the Pennsylvania Land Trust Association awarded Northampton County with the 2015 Government Conservation Leadership Award for leadership in the conservation of particular landscapes and critical natural areas. Northampton County has been a leader in expanding and improving open space and recreational opportunities. Through collaboration regionally, the county and municipalities have prioritized preserving lands through planning initiatives and advanced funding strategies, in an effort to preserve remaining open space and important natural areas.

Northampton County's 21st Century Open Space Initiative was established in 2002 to enable the preservation of natural areas, open space lands, and farmland, as well as procurement, development, and restoration of municipal parks. Since its establishment, the initiative has awarded \$5.94 million for 56 municipal park projects and \$4.2 million for the preservation of natural areas.



From left: Maria Bentzoni, Scott Parsons, Bryan Cope and Jeffrey Marshall

Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor



Thanks to two (2) Lehigh Valley Greenways mini –grants from the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor, Bushkill Township was able to complete two streambank restoration projects along the Bushkill Creek and Sober's Run. Both streambank's were severely eroded and the funding was used to install large, native stone to stabilize the streambank and reduce further erosion. The Lehigh Valley Greenways is one of seven Conservation Landscapes supported by Pennsylvania DCNR (Department of Conservation and Natural Resources) and includes more than 20 organizations and municipal partners in Lehigh and Northampton Counties dedicated to the conservation of and connection to our natural resources. In addition to Bushkill Township, other municipalities in the Lehigh Valley also received funding for recreational improvements.

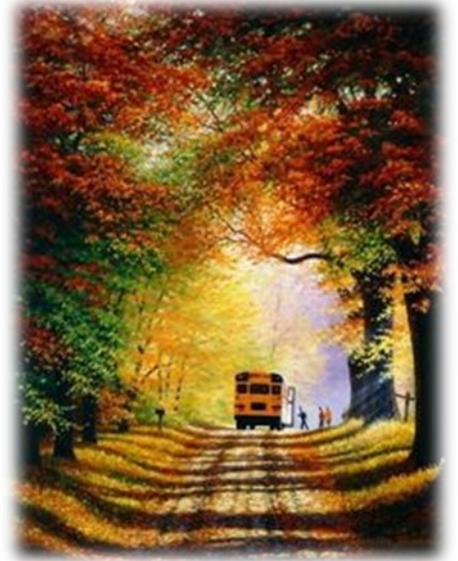
2015 Capital Improvement Projects

Bushkill Township continued to repair the 57 miles of Township roads in 2015. As part of the long term road improvement plan, Recon Construction Incorporated was awarded the bid to perform Full Depth Reclamation (FDR) on Gladys, Hope, and Lorraine Drives. The FDR process mills the existing asphalt and injects a predetermined amount of cement, reapplying the base course and preparing it for the final wearing course. Paving was also completed on Golden Eagle Drive, Beaver Run, Schoeneck Avenue, West Douglassville Road, and other areas throughout the Township. A slurry seal application was also completed on Highland Road, Cross Hill Road, Blue Ridge Drive, and Lahr Road. Slurry seal application is similar to sealing your driveway and is used as a maintenance measure to maximize the life of a municipal road. Bushkill Township anticipates receiving \$285,000 in State Liquid Fuels funding in 2016 to continue to repair and maintain municipally owned roads throughout the Township.

Bushkill Township Police Department

The Bushkill Township Police Department hopes everyone enjoyed the lazy days of summer. Now we are back to the hustle and bustle of fall. With the change in season comes a reminder about safety. First and foremost—school is back in session and we would like to remind motorists to share the road safely with school buses.

According to the National Safety Council, school buses are one of the safest forms of transportation on the road today. The reality of school bus safety is that more children are hurt outside the bus than inside as passengers. Most of the children who lose their lives in bus-related crashes are pedestrians, four (4) to seven (7) years old, who are hit by the bus or by motorists illegally passing a stopped school bus. For this reason, it is necessary to know the proper laws and procedures for sharing the road safely with school buses.



- Pennsylvania law makes it illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children when the red signal lights and stop sign arm are activated, thus requiring traffic in both directions to stop on undivided roadways. Red flashing lights and an extended stop sign arm signals motorists that the bus is stopped and children are getting on or off the bus. Violating section 3345(a) of the PA Vehicle Code, “Failure to stop for school bus with flashing red lights,” results in a \$250.00 fine plus court costs. In addition to the fines, there is a 60 day license suspension and five (5) points assigned to your license by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.
- School buses use yellow flashing lights to alert motorists that they are preparing to stop to load or unload children. When following or approaching a school bus, be alert, children are unpredictable, and the ten (10) feet around a school bus is where children are in the most danger of being hit. Stop your car far enough from the bus to allow children the space to safely enter and exit the bus. Children walking to or from their bus are usually comfortable with their surroundings. This makes them more likely to take risks, ignore hazards, or fail to look both ways when crossing the street. Please drive safely and lookout for our children.



As days get shorter, remember to turn on your headlights and take your time traveling. Winter leads us to that problematic four-letter word: “snow,” which is even more reason to slow down and use caution. Make sure your vehicle is ready for the rigors of the season. Be prepared for emergency situations by keeping a blanket, a snack, and a charged cell phone with you at all times. The men and women of the Bushkill Township Police Department wish you a safe and happy Holiday Season.



Trick or Treat will be held Saturday, October 31 from 6-8 pm in Bushkill Township. Residents are reminded to accompany their children and have a safe and happy Halloween!

BUSINESS NAME

Primary Business Address
Your Address Line 2
Your Address Line 3
Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555
Fax: 555-555-5555
E-mail: someone@example.com

Mailing Address Line 1
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Mailing Address Line 4
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Inside this Issue: Open Space Happenings, FRCA, Capital Improvement Projects, Leaf Collection, Stormwater Management, and more...

Bushkill Township Board of Supervisors

Townships are among the oldest political subdivisions in Pennsylvania and are the most common form of municipal government. The Bushkill Township Board of Supervisors are elected to six-year terms of office. Supervisors play the central role in local government and are responsible for providing emergency services, recreational opportunities, enacting ordinances, formulating and adopting budgets, approving expenditures, hiring employees, and guiding the future of the Township. The Bushkill Township Board of Supervisors is committed to making Bushkill Township a great place to reside and raise a family.

Photo (left to right): Rear—Jason Smith, Harrison Kline; Front—Julie Bender, Brien Kocher, and Carolyn Hill



Board of Supervisors

Brien Kocher, Chairman; Jason Smith, Vice Chairman; Julie Bender; Carolyn Hill; and Harrison Kline.

Brian Harris, Township Manager; Gary Asteak, Solicitor; and Robert Collura, Engineer

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| Municipal Building | 610.759.1250 | Public Works | 610.759.2758 |
| Police Department | 610.759.9588 | Zoning Office | 610.759.7197 |
| Non Emergency | 610.759.2200 | State Senator Browne | 610.502.1567 |
| Emergency | 911 | Northampton County | 610.559.3100 |
| State Representative Hahn | 610.746.2100 | Pennsylvania DOT | 610.871.4100 |